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**ELECTION AND RESPONSE TO
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

The Examiner, in an Office Action mailed November 4, 2005, has divided the claims of the above application into two different groups of invention, and has required the Applicant to elect one group for prosecution. The two different groups are as follows:

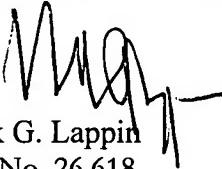
Group I, directed to claims 1-14 and 52-64 is drawn to a four piece, three axis spin stand, classified in class 324, subclass 262.

Group II, directed to claims 15-51, is drawn to a spin stand with a vacuum pre-loaded air bearing and with an associated means for removing air, classified in class 360, subclass 220.

Applicant hereby elects for prosecution Group I, directed to a spin stand. Claims 1-14 and 52-64 are claims drawn to the elected Group I.

Applicants request a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a) as hereby enclosed. Applicants do not believe that any additional fee is required in connection with this Response. However, should any extension or fee be required, Applicant hereby petitions for same and requests that such and any other fee required for timely consideration of this application be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2678.

Respectfully submitted,



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